GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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NEW COMMISSION ON CENTRE-STATE RELATIONS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to constitute a new Commission to deal with the issues concerning Centre- State relations;

(b) if so, the extent to which this Commission is likely to be different to the earlier one;

(c) the details of issues likely to be considered by this Commission; and

(d) the time by when the Commission is likely to be formed and submit its report?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO H. GAVIT)

(a): The Government has constituted a new Commission on Centre-State Relations under the Chairpersonship of Shri Justice Madan Mohan Punchhi (Retd.), former Chief Justice of India, vide Gazette notification dated the 27th April, 2007.

(b) & (c): The terms of reference of the new Commission under the Chairpersonship of Shri Justice Madan Mohan Punchhi (Retd.) as compared to the Sarkaria Commission are more broad- based. The terms of reference of both the Commissions have been given in the Annexure.

(d): The Commission has been mandated to submit its report with recommendations within two years.